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Sir:

In a September 15, 2006 Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review that was issued in connection with the above-identified application, FIGS. 1 and 2c were objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p) and corrected drawings were required. Prior versions of FIGS. 2a-c and 3-5 were "informal" and applicants desire to replace them with "formal" drawings for inclusion in the patent that is to be issued from the application.

Applicants therefore enclose herewith three (3) drawing replacement sheets to replace the prior three drawing sheets. The replacement sheets include "formal" versions of all of the FIGS. and applicants respectfully submit that the FIGS. satisfy the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p).

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